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LIFE SKETCH

of

ISAAC N. KALB.
SARAH ANN HUGHES KALB,
his wife
and their descendants.

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ISAAC N. KALB, the subject of this sketch, was born on a farm in Madison Township, Franklin County, Ohio, July 17, 1817, and died at his home in the same township, June 1st, 1871. He was the youngest son of George and Mary Keifer Kalb whose family consisted of five sons and four daughters and who were residents of Madison Township, Franklin County, Ohio.

At the age of twenty-five, Mr. Kalb was married to Sarah Ann Brown with whom he lived happily for a period of twenty-nine years until his death. They were the parents of five children, viz., Eliza Lodema, who died at the age of two years, James Parker, Mary Ellen, Theodore Dwight and Anna Belle. The last four named all grew to manhood and womanhood. Mary Ellen and Anna Belle are now living. James Parker - eldest son of the subjects of this sketch, was born March 16, 1846, and died at his home April 23, 1916. At the age of twenty-two he was united in marriage to Delilah Ann Miller, daughter of John and Maria Miller of Truro Township, Franklin County, Ohio. To this union were born seven children - Mary Alma, Kathryn Ann, Jennie Gertrude, Roxanne Pearl, Lura Belle, Theodore Dwight and James Waldo.

Mary Alma, now Mrs. Clinton A. Stevenson, lives with her husband and family on their farm near Canal Winchester, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Stevenson have a family of six children. Howard Blaine, who died in September, 1908, during his Senior year at Canal Winchester High School; James Kalb, a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan and Ohio State Universities, is the senior member of the law firm of Stevenson & Stevenson with offices in East Broad Street, Columbus, Ohio. He married Jeanette Woods of Columbus, Ohio, and they are the parents of three children, James Kalb, Jr., Billie and Betty Jane; Clinton Nathan is a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan and is engaged in the real estate business in Columbus. His wife was Miss Frances Fountaine of

New Lexington, Ohio. They have two children, Clinton, Jr., and Sarah Ann; Theodore Dwight is a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan and Ohio State Universities and is the junior member of the law firm of Stevenson & Stevenson mentioned above. He married Miss Lucille Smith of Canal Winchester, and they have one child, Virginia Mae; Mae Lois, is the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Stevenson, and also the only granddaughter of the family of James Parker Kalb. Mae attended Ohio Wesleyan and is a graduate of the School for Nurses at Ohio State University; Joseph Parker is the youngest member of the Stevenson family and is at present a student at Ohio State University.

Kathryn Ann, second daughter of James Parker and Delilah Kalb, is the wife of Edwin M. Fickel who has been in the employ of the United States Government for twenty-two years. They have one child, James Lowell, known to his chums as "Jim", who is at present Program Reviewer for the WAIU Receiving Station, Columbus, Ohio.

Jennie Gertrude, third daughter of the family died at the age of three years.

Roxanne Pearl, fourth daughter, besides teaching in the public schools of Franklin County, was principal of the Shorthand Department of The Columbus Business College for several years. She is the wife of Stanton H. Rawn and they reside on their farm in Violet Township, Fairfield County, O.

Lura Belle, the fifth daughter, was a teacher in the public schools of Franklin County for a number of years. Her husband, Harry C. Behm, is a builder and they live in their home in Bexley.

Theodore Dwight, youngest of the Kalb family, farmed the home farm for several years then moved with his wife and son Harris Lee to San Francisco, California. His eldest son, James Thiel, died of

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septicemia, September 14, 1924, aged 8 years and 9 months. The youngest son, James Parker, arrived since the family moved to California and has never seen his Ohio relation. Theodore Dwight had a twin brother, James Walter, who died in infancy.

Mary Ellen, second daughter of Isaac N. and Sarah Ann Kalb, is now the wife of John Begg of Columbus Grove, Ohio. Mr. and Mrs. Begg have a family of six children all of whom have grown to manhood and womanhood and are now living. Their family consists of three sons and three daughters;

Jessie Anna, wife of Jesse M. Michael of Lima, Ohio, is the mother of five children - Lelah Florence Hutchison of Lima, Edna Mabel, now Mrs. Paul Winks of Duluth, Minnesota, Elmer C., John E. and Mary Estella are living with their parents;

James Thomas, eldest son of John and Mary Kalb Begg is now serving his fourth term as a Representative of the 13th Ohio District in Congress and lives in Sandusky, Ohio. His wife was Miss Grace Mohler and their family consists of one daughter, Mrs. Ward Herald of Oklahoma, and one son, James T. Jr., who is with his parents;

Mary Kalb, second daughter, is now Mrs. James J. Kissell of Columbus Grove, Ohio. They are the parents of eight children all of whom are at home except when temporarily absent teaching. They are Kathryn Kalb, James Theodore, Mary Alice, Harry Begg, Howard Raymond, William Francis, Edith and James J. Jr. Mr. Kissell is dealer in poultry and eggs with additional farming interests;

John Clarence, second son, is a practical farmer and dairyman in Monroe Township, Allen County, Ohio. At the age of twenty-two he married Mary Belle Marshall of his native township and they are still living in the neighborhood in which they were born.

They have had three children, two of whom are now living - John Edgar, Lawrence Marshall and Lois their only daughter who died when but five months old;

Bessie Blanche, third daughter of John and Mary Begg, began teaching at an early age and continued in that profession until her marriage to Frank Holiday of Norwalk, Ohio. After their marriage they located in Detroit, Michigan, where they now live. Mr. Holiday is employed in a large creamery in the city. They have three children - Robert Begg, Frances Elaine and Helen Harriet, all of whom are attending the city schools and are at home with their parents;

Theodore Stanley, youngest member of the Begg family, grew to manhood on the farm. Upon leaving the farm he married Goldie Settlemire of Columbus Grove, Ohio. Their family consists of one daughter Mark Ethel, and sons, John Paul, Theodore Stanley, Jr., and William H. They now live in Toledo, Ohio, where Mr. Begg is engaged in the retail milk business at this time.

Theodore Dwight, second son of Isaac N. and Sarah Ann Kalb, was born on the farm October 27th, 1859, and lived on the farm his entire life. His father dying when he was quite young he was left to care for his widowed mother until her death, after which he made his home with his brother James Parker until his marriage to Laura Alice Needles, daughter of George and Eliza Needles of Franklin County. Being very industrious and energetic they succeeded in establishing a substantial home for themselves near Asbury M. E. Church where Mrs. Kalb was born. They had no family of their own but opened the door of their hospitable home to others who were not so richly blessed with this world's goods, Elmer Weis and Glen Wolfe. Mr. Kalb met a sudden and tragic death by being struck in front of his home on the

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evening of November 24th, 1924, by a passing taxi. His death caused general mourning throughout the entire community as he was respected and loved by all who knew him. His bereaved widow still occupies the beautiful homestead where they lived happily for so many years.

Anna Belle, youngest child of Isaac N. and Sarah Ann Kalb, was left an orphan when but a child. After growing to womanhood she married John F. Leidy, only son of William and Margaret Leidy of her own neighborhood. Mr. and Mrs. Leidy lived on the Leidy homestead until his death which occurred at his home in November, 1907. After her husband's death, Mrs. Leidy remained on the farm and by the help of her son and daughter continued its successful operation for many years. Their family consisted of one son Edgar Theodore and one daughter, Lolah Alice, both of whom are living.

Edgar Theodore, a graduate of Ohio State University, is a Docotor of Veterinary. His wife was Miss Emma Ralston of Hamilton County, Ohio, who prior to her marriage was one of Ohio's successful teachers, being a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan. They have two children, John Ralston and Doris Janet, both of whom are at home;

Lolah Alice, after graduation from High School, began a very successful career as a teacher in the public schools. The demand for her services was such that she continued in that profession until her marriage to Mr. William Krumm, one of the prosperous young farmers of Fairfield County, Ohio. Shortly after their marriage they established their home with Mrs. Krumm's mother on the Leidy farm where they now live and are successfully engaged in general farming. They have one daughter, Maribel Alice, three years old at this time.

This life sketch of Isaac N. and Sarah Ann Brown Kalb and their children and grandchildren would be incomplete unless a word was added concerning the high characters and exemplary lives of this ancestral couple. Mr. Kalb was one of those quiet observing men, very conservative, industrious and honest. He was well-to-do, possessing a beautiful country home which was obtained by the patient industry and careful living of himself and wife. Devoted to his home and family, he confined his work to building up a home for his family and thus adding to the value and stability of the community. In religion he was a Methodist and was ever ready and willing to give aid and encouragement to any movement that had for its object the promotion of religion in the church and community. In politics he was a Republican but was kind and tolerant of the opinions of others and was law-abiding citizen in all his actions toward his neighbors. He was a most exemplary citizen and his splendid qualities of thrift, energy and right living have been transmitted to his descendants even to the third and fourth generations, and through them his life, with that of a faithful wife, has been a blessing to the world. It may be added that the living descendants of Mr. Isaac N. and Sarah Ann Kalb number fifty-nine and those who are deceased are eight in number making a total of sixty-seven lineal descendants of this splendid family.

Written by John Begg,
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Births since 1 9 2 5 :

Janet Ann Behm, July 11, 1926, daughter of H. C. and Lura Kalb Behm;
Martha Lou, daughter of Clinton N. and Frances Fountaine Stevenson;
Theodore Jr., son of Theodore D. and Lucille Smith Stevenson;

Deaths since 1925:

Lura Kalb Behm, fifth daughter of James Parker and Delilah Ann Kalb, and wife of Harry C. Behm, died on the evening of December 22, 1926, at White Cross Hospital, Columbus, Ohio, of sleeping sickness;

Marriages since 1 9 2 5 :

Kathryn Kissel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Kissel, (Mary Begg), August 31, 1926, to Mr. Clair T. Hammons;
Alice Kissel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Kissel, to Mr. Donald K. Hoffman;
Elmer Michael, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Michael (Jessie Begg) to Miss Loraine Saurs.

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MARY JOE STEVENSON OCT 24 1938